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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09812.0200

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Takashi Yokokawa et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2133  
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Application No.: 10/521,054 ) Examiner: RIZK, Samir Wadie  
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Filed: January 12, 2005 ) Confirmation No.: 6969  
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For: DECODING APPARATUS, )  
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DECODING METHOD, AND )  
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PROGRAM TO DECODE LOW )  
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DENSITY PARITY CHECK CODES )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

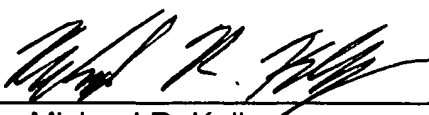
Applicants petition for a one month extension of time to file a response to the final Office Action mailed October 4, 2006. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 18, 2007

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